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THE DRAMA.

GARDEN THEATRE—"BETROTHED."

In the Garden Theatre last night in presence of a numerous and appreciative audience M. Alphonse's play called "Betrothed" had its first representation in America. In Paris this piece has been given with admiration, and probably, in its original form, contains beauties that account for this result. It contains beauties, however, that disappeared in the translation presented here. "Betrothed" is simply the tame version of a case of domestic distress. It is related that a young man and a young woman, who love each other, are to be married. In act one the friends of the lady declare that the engagement must be broken, because—as they have learned—she is the mother of a lunatic. In act two the announcement of this decision is abruptly made by the lover, and this causes him to toss the woman about and to liberate an ample vocabulary of curses and resentment. In act three—finely finished with a new convert scene—the lover, in the lady, in her religious fervor, and receives from her lips the unwilling avowal that she cannot marry him. In act four there is a period of suspense and mystification, and then a climax of suspense. At no time does the piece become dramatic or provide any opportunity for effective acting. Agnes, in assuming with great dignity and sweetly the estate of an anxious, affectionate mother, and loving solicitude with touching sweetness, really of voice. But the part is far too feeble again the competent, finished art of Mr. Mackay, who played a benevolent old scholar, whose style is as intellectual and incisive and poised as ever. He was warmly welcomed. Miss Weston gave a charming portrayal of the young maid, who has only to wear white and be distressed to gain love and grief. Mr. H. J. Gilmore would do much more of the part of Sir Bernard than does "Betrothed" contain. He is speaking of his and his inquiry asks "Is there nothing else this world to live for?" Edna answers "Yes." At any rate, a case of interrupted nuptials must be set forth with much greater dramatic force and variety than are shown in this instance if the removal of it is to touch the public heart.

"THOU SHALT NOT."

Many people were drawn to the Union Square Theatre last night by the announcement of a new drama—of a novel called "Thou Shalt Not." It was agreed that the piece would contain abundant interest, and all reasonable expectations of this sort were realized. Those who are attracted by this will find it in a stage performance or groups be gratified by this piece, but it can have nothing to commend it to others, and it cannot be seen except by any who care for a true and healthy interest of dramatic art.

WEDDINGS PAST AND TO COME.

At St. George's Church, Stuyvesant Square, yesterday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, Miss Helen Iselin was married to Edward Calens Henderson, a young lawyer of this city. The marriage ceremony was performed by Bishop Potter, the Rev. Dr. W. G. Rainsford, rector of the church, assisting. The bride entered the church with her brother Isaac Iselin, who gave her away. The bridesmaids were Miss Mary Chapin, Miss Sarah Potter and Miss Mary Potter, daughters of Bishop Potter. Miss Hermance and Miss Lotta Lowell. The best man was Willard P. Butler, and the ushers were Henry B. Anderson, Henry S. Iselin, George W. Dickerman, James B. Ludlow, E. Y. Rice, Jr., and Charles E. Shaw.

The ceremony was followed by a small reception at the home of the bride's cousin, Mrs. Harold Hadden, No. 24 West Thirty-third, only relatives being present. Among those were Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Macdonald, Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Iselin, Mr. and Mrs. De Lancey Kane, Mrs. William A. Haffen, F. H. Hadden, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Seton, Mr. and Mrs. Henderson, Mrs. Henry C. Potter, the Rev. and Mrs. N. W. Wells, Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Russell, Mr. and Mrs. William Chapin, Mr. and Mrs. Whittemore Cowdin, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Whiting, Mrs. Charles R. Lowell, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Gray, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Cary, Miss Grace H. Dodge, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Mendenhall, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Herkert, the Misses Dunham, Mr. and Mrs. Louis C. Tiffany, Miss Schenck, Alexander Hadden, John Hadden and Eliza Dwyer.

Mrs. Helen Iselin, daughter of William H. Lockwood, daughter of William H. Lockwood, to Alfred K. Warren, son of the Rev. E. Walpole Warren, took place yesterday afternoon at the Church of the Holy Trinity. The bride was given away by her father. The bridegroom was the maid of honor and the bridesmaids were Miss Marie Graye and Miss Isabel Lockwood. Thomas Watlings was best man, and the usher was G. Warren Leffingwell. Edward C. Lovell, Mr. and Mrs. William Lottner, W. V. Morrissey, and G. W. Betts.

A small reception followed at the home of the bride, No. 46 East Fifty-third. Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. Edward H. Gould, Mr. and Mrs. James Bennett, Dr. and Mrs. French, Mr. and Mrs. Anson Flower, E. P. Flower, Mr. and Mrs. George M. Groves, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Newell.

The wedding of Miss Maud Jaffray to Hollis Hume was arranged to take place on April 9, and not on the preceding day as has been announced. The ceremony will be in St. Thomas' Church.

UGHT FROM THE HAMERSLEY ESTATE.

HENRY T. GERRY AND THE METROPOLITAN CLUB PURCHASE SITES FOR HOMES.

Two contracts for the sale of property were made yesterday, which will result in adding two more handsome buildings to the magnificent cluster which is going up around the plaza at Fifty-ninth-st. and Third-ave. The property involved belongs to the Hamersley estate, and consists of eight lots in Fifteenth-st. and four in Sixty-first-st. and two in Sixty-first-st. Lots 4 and 5 of Sixty-first-st. and Lots 1 and 2 of Sixty-first-st. have been secured by the new Metropolitan Club through its Building and Purchasing Committee, Robert Goetz, Daniel Ballock and Adrian Iselin, Jr. The price paid is \$40,000, and the erection of a clubhouse will be started as soon as plans can be agreed upon. The building lots have been bought by Commodore Elmer T. Gerry for \$450,000. He will build a private home upon them, as his present home, No. 8 East Sixty-first-st., has proved too small.

Mrs. A. S. Del Pino, of No. 15 East Thirty-second-st., gave a small dance for her daughters last night. Among the guests were the Misses Leeds, Miss Catlin, Miss Remo, Miss Berg, Miss Estevez, E. Garcia, Jr., Paul de Modell and Dr. Agostino.

Mrs. H. R. Bishop, of No. 891 Fifth-ave., attended a dinner last night to follow a dinner at her house and others given by Mrs. Henry Stowe, Mrs. Ogden Mills and Mrs. W. D. Shouse. About 150 people were present. The cathedral was opened, George Head leading the choir. Mrs. Miller. Among the guests were Mrs. George Pelegier, Miss Hargrave, Mrs. G. Bend, Miss Bend, Mr. and Mrs. Low, Harrison, the Misses Sands, Mr. and Mrs. Josephine Finch, Mrs. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Finch, Cutting, Mrs. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hayemeyer, the Misses Havemeyer, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hayemeyer, Mr. and Mrs. Border, Harriman, Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Lanier, Elliot Gregory, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Carr, Duncan Mills, Mrs. Remond, Miss Flora Davis, Mrs. Rogers, Cameron, the Misses Cameron, Mr. and Mrs. George D. Forest, the Misses Nassau, and further progress will be made in the w^t of organization.

MISS BERNHARD PLAYS FOR A DISPENSARY.

Miss Sarah Bernhardt paid New-York a flying visit yesterday on her way to New-Haven, and improved the time that she had here to give a special matinee at Palmer's Theatre. She played "Fedora" for the benefit of the dispensary of the Bacteriological and Cancer Institute and the institution gained about \$900 thereby. The performance began at noon and as soon as it was over the company was on its way to New-Haven.

Since she left the Garden Theatre Miss Bernhardt played in Boston, Washington and Philadelphia and has drawn crowded houses everywhere. She is in New-Haven last night, and will occupy the rest of the week by appearing for one night each in Hartford, Albany, Syracuse and Rochester, and thence to Montreal. The tour will then be extended to several Western cities, finally to San Francisco, where the company will play a short engagement for Australia. The present engagement is to return from Australia in time for a new production at the new Fifth Avenue Theatre, early in November.

AN OLD NEW-YORK FAMILY DYING OUT.

The Bernhardt family is well-known, and last night Mrs. Jane Beck, widow of W. J. Beck, in a nervous state at the old Bartholdi residence, at One-hundred-and-seventy-first and Third-ave. Beck is the last surviving member of the Bartholdi family. The death of Miss Margaret Anne Bartholdi, aged 88, and on Friday last her two sons, Alexander Bartholdi and Dr. James Bartholdi, died from pneumonia. The Bartholdi house is at One-hundred-and-seventy-first, is a valuable landmark in the city. The parents of the deceased were substantiated Scotch people, who came to this country early in the present century from Fife, Scotland. Subsequently the Bartholdi family acquired

the property in Third-ave. in fee simple, and hold it to the present day.

The men of the family have lived the life of country known as "the Squire." The Bartholdi family are Scotch Presbyterians by faith, but they own a vault in St. Paul's Episcopal Church, at One-hundred-and-forty-first and St. Ann's-ave. In the case of Mrs. Beck's death Charles Bartholdi Beck will claim the sole right to the vault, which is valued at about \$500,000. Mrs. Beck's home is in Brooklyn, at One-hundred-and-twenty-first and St. Ann's-ave. She went to her brother's house to look after their welfare, and was there taken ill. She is advanced in years, and has not been informed of her brothers' death.

MISS FULLER MARRIED.

WEDDING OF THE CHIEF JUSTICE'S ELDEST DAUGHTER AND MR. BROWN, OF CHICAGO.

Washington, March 30 (special).—St. John's Church was the scene of a beautiful wedding this evening, and Miss Grace Weston Fuller, the eldest daughter of Chief Justice Fuller, of the United States Supreme Court, and Archibald Laplam Brown, of Chicago, were married at 8 o'clock by the rector, the Rev. Dr. Douglass. It was the first of the Easter week weddings, and the church was decked with the Easter lilies and palms of yesterday. The ushers were Lieutenant Alger, United States Navy; Marce Mendona, of the Brazilian Legation; Colonel Manning and Charles Frearley. The bridegroom was attended by Albert W. Barnum, of Chicago. The bride came in on the arm of her father, preceded by her young sister, Janette, as maid-of-honor. The wedding gown was of white satin, with draperies of white chiffon. A veil of tulles was held by orange flowers, and the bouquet was lilies of the valley. The young maid-of-honor wore a gown of white silk muslin and carried a bouquet of white roses. Mrs. Fuller's gown was of old rose faille, with trimmings of white silk embroidery. Miss Catherine Fuller wore a gown of pink striped guaze and carried pink roses. Mrs. Ambry, one of the bride's married sisters, wore white, and the youngest daughter of the Chief Justice, the blanche of the bridegroom were his. Among the relatives of the bridegroom were his brother, Edward Brown, and Mrs. Brown.

The ceremony was followed by a reception from 8:30 until 10 o'clock at the home of the Chief Justice. The bride and the bridegroom left the city on a wedding tour of a week after which they will sail for Europe. During their six weeks' visit abroad they are to visit the bride's sister, Miss Mary Fuller, who is studying music in Berlin. Among the guests were from the Supreme Court circle; Justice and Mrs. Harlan, Justice and Mrs. Brown; Justice, Mrs. and the Hon. Frank B. Sayre, and the Hon. W. G. Thompson. A question was asked for Mr. G. T. Moore, who was absent. In response, Binger, in memory of all that he said that "Betrothed" contains. He is speaking of his and his inquiry asks "Is there nothing else this world to live for?" Edna answers "Yes." At any rate, a case of interrupted nuptials must be set forth with much greater dramatic force and variety than are shown in this instance if the removal of it is to touch the public heart.

THE CEREMONY WAS FOLLOWED BY A RECEPTION FROM 8:30 UNTIL 10 O'CLOCK AT THE HOME OF THE CHIEF JUSTICE.

To the Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: As it is said that much of the criticism of the fact that clergymen not of the Episcopal Church have lectured in St. George's Church during Lent has arisen from a misunderstanding of the nature of the services at which their lectures were delivered, I beg to say that these services were held on a night in the week not appropriated to any other, and that they were inaugurated for the instruction of my flock upon topics on which all Christendom is in accord, by gentlemen recognized throughout the land as trained and able Christian teachers.

This year, as last, the programme provided for both lay and clerical lectures, and the reason there were none of the former is that it was not discovered that none could be had until to find others in their place.

These lectures, with the prayers and hymns preceding and following, constituted, in my judgment, a special service not covered by the canon quoted against them, and were, I think, of the same character as those frequently held in Episcopal churches throughout the diocese, for missions, for the cause of temperance and the like, at which it is customary for laymen as well as clergymen to speak.

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